

TQELL SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

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What Do You Want to Sustain?

VISION AND DESIRED RESULTS

Prepare and support PK-12 educators (pre-service and in-service) and administrators to effectively teach and assess English Language Learners (ELL).

Provide increased access to professional development that addresses the needs of ELLs for PK-12 educators and teacher educators.

These goals will be achieved through team building among PK-12 educators, administrators, teacher educators, and AEA Title III consultants.

CONDITIONS AND CAUSES

Changing demographics (143% increase in lowa's ELL population over a ten year time period from 2006 NCELA).

Significant achievement gap between ELL's and non-ELL's. (Iowa's Condition of Education Report 2007)

Districts without ELL programs still need to serve ELLs.

Lack of teacher education courses that address the needs of ELLs.

Lack of cultural and linguistic competence on the part of PK-12 educators, administrators, and school staff.

Lack of teachers with ESL endorsements and opportunities for earning such.

How Will You Measure Your Progress?

INDICATORS

Increase number of ESL endorsed teachers.

Continue collaboration between administrators and TQELL (via Project Power Up) *Check with Mary Beth on the commitment of the DE to this.

Continued funding for teacher educator and teacher candidates to attend 2009 ICLC.

Menu of ways to spend TQE Reading & Writing Funds to Support ELLs

Option A \$600 stipend for ICLC for up to 150 totaling \$90,000. This funding will come from the reading/writing component of the TQE grant.

Option B Support one to three speakers at the cost of \$3,000 to \$9,000 on teaching reading/writing to ELLs.

Option C Provide materials and implementation training to teachers (e.g. ConceptLinks by Millmark Publishers \$10,000 and up)
Option D Advocate for integration of SIOP training with Iowa Core Curriculum (\$60,000 for 100 participants)

Option E Offer PD called "What's Different about Teaching Reading to ELLs" by Center of Applied Linguistics (\$35,000 for 100 participants)
Option F Multicultural classroom libraries for secondary educators (e.g. Lotus Publications \$500 per library)

Option G Fund at least two ELL people to participate on the SWRT (not sure of expenses)

STRATEGIES

Collaboration among PK-12 educators, administrators, teacher educators, and AEA Title III consultants to continue infusion of linguistically and culturally strategies to meet the needs.

Professional development for the TQELL Lead Team, teacher educators, preservice teachers, in-service teachers, and administrators.

Dissemination of knowledge of effective teaching and assessment strategies for linguistically and culturally diverse students.

ACTIVITIES

- -lowa Culture and Language Conference
- -Polycom Technology to link higher education methods courses with actual ELL classrooms
- -Immersion experiences for administrators and teacher educators -Our Kids
- -DVDs to TQE Collaborative Plus Team

-Language Simulation

PERFORMANCE MEASURES

Effort: Continued and increased implementation of polycom collaborative projects between higher education and P-12 classrooms.

Effort: Continued collaboration between teacher educators, AEA Title III consultants and administrators through TQELL and Power Up grants (such as Mexican Immersion and Our Kids 2008).

Effect: Higher placement of teacher candidates.

Effort: Continued participation in ICLC and Our Kids by teacher educators, pre-service teachers, in-service teachers, and administrators.

Effort: Attendance by TQELL Lead Team to professional conferences (prior to September 2009) and the purchase of materials.

Effect: Course syllabi and lesson plan format requirements for teacher candidates reflect infusion of strategies for teaching ELLs Effect: Greater collaboration with the SWRT

Effort: Presentations by Mexican Immersion participants at conferences and in local communities.

Effect: Presentations and publications by TQELL Lead Team members.

Effort: Presentations at Our Kids (e.g. SIOP Implementation by Tammy Gregorson)

Written evaluations
Institutional Polycom Final Reports

Interview data by Katie Bruna

Evaluation data by U of I team

Evaluation of "Life in a Second Language" data by Roberta Vann and Frederick O. Lorenz